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**Moto2 European Championship & European Talent Cup:
Tulovic crowned 2022 Moto2 European Champion
as Pini takes Hawkers ETC title lead**



It was a day where a dream came true for Lukas Tulovic (Liqui Moly Intact GP Junior Team) after the German secured the Moto2™ European Championship title thanks to victory in Race 1 at MotorLand Aragon, Spain. The Hawkers European Talent Cup title race goes onto Valencia after Guido Pini (AC Racing Team) and Casey O’Gorman (VisionTrack Racing Team) picked up the wins.

Moto2 European Champion

After keeping his 100% pole position record intact on Saturday, and with Alex Escrig (Yamaha Philippines Stylobike Racing Team) absent through injury, Tulovic knew a race



win would hand him the 2022 Moto2™ European Championship crown. The 22-year-old made no mistake to win the opening race of the day from lights out to chequered flag in dominant fashion, as he then went out in Race 2 and repeated his superb performance to leave Aragon with two more victories and a European title to his name. Senna Agius and Promoracing teammate Xavier Cardelus claimed P2 and P3 respectively in both races in Aragon to signal a strong weekend for both riders and the team. In the **Stock** class, Dani Muñoz (Fifty Motorsport) and Juan Rodriguez (Cuna Campeones) shared the wins in Aragon.

European Talent Cup

The other title that could have been won at the penultimate round was the Hawkers ETC, but that battle is heading to Valencia. Pini emerged victorious for the first time in 2022 in Race 1 after edging out Maximo Martinez (Team Honda Laglisse) at the final corner, as Brian Uriarte (Team Estrella Galicia 0,0) picked up the final podium spot in the red flagged encounter. In Race 2, a fascinating five rider duel played out and again, it all came down to the final lap. This time, O’Gorman won the race to the line by just 0.008s to snatch his maiden Hawkers ETC win, as the Irishman fended off Pini in P2 and Joel Esteban (Aspar Junior Team) in P3. Heading to the final race of the season, Pini leads the title race by three points from Esteban.

That’s it from Aragon! Next up is a trip to Valencia at the end of October for the final four races of the 2022 campaign, with the Hawkers ETC title still up for grabs.

Yamaha R3 Super Finale: Ercolani celebrates victory in Portimao



After firing to victory in Race 2, Italian youngster Emiliano Ercolani claimed the inaugural Yamaha R3 bLU cRU European SuperFinale title at the Algarve International Circuit in Portugal, earning him a spot on the 2023 Yamaha R3 bLU cRU European Cup grid with full support from Yamaha.

Having scored a podium finish in the opening race this morning, Ercolani edged ahead of France's Evann Plaindoux in the final standings, with 2021 Yamaha R3 bLU cRU European Cup rider Kayla Yaakov impressing on her return to European racing in third overall.

Spain's Unai Calatayud led the field away from pole position in Race 1, but was quickly demoted behind home hero David Da Costa and Ercolani, who traded positions out front throughout the opening lap.

As the race settled in, 15 riders battled in the front group, with FIM Supersport 300 World Championship Barcelona wildcard Calatayud regaining the lead on the second lap. Da Costa then hit the front again, and was able to cross the line in first from lap four right until the chequered flag, seeing him become the first Portuguese rider to claim victory inside the FIM Superbike World Championship paddock since 1989.



That win didn't come without a challenge though, with Plaindoux putting in a storming charge from 11th on the grid to narrowly miss out on victory by just 0.081s in second. Ercolani found himself at the back of the lead group in the final few laps, but managed to make his way back into third by the finish, with American young talent Yaakov following him through to take fourth.

Spain's Javier Corral Arias made it five different nationalities in the top five positions, finishing ahead of pole-sitter Calatayud, who dropped half-a-second behind on the penultimate lap and was unable to recover. Italy's Emanuele Cazzaniga was seventh and also lost out at the end, after challenging for a top three spot late on.

Natalia Rivera Resel came out on top of the second group of riders in eighth, with the Spaniard two seconds clear of Japan's Teppei Kugawa and Brazil's Kaywan Alves Freire da Costa.

The grid was reset for Race 2, which was shortened to eight laps following an incident in the WorldSSP300 race. Da Costa once again fought his way to the front, ahead of Calatayud, with the Race 1 protagonists all back in the hunt throughout the second contest.

The #72 rider looked set to double up in the Algarve, but on the final lap at the final corner - a tricky high-speed downhill right-hander - Da Costa crashed, ending his hopes of winning the first Yamaha R3 SuperFinale.

There to capitalise was Ercolani, who jumped ahead of third-place finisher Plaindoux in the final standings to claim the overall victory. Yaakov led at several points throughout the race, crossing the line in second ahead of Freire da Costa.

The Brazilian was penalised a position for track limits on the final lap though, seeing Plaindoux promoted to the podium for the second time this weekend. It was a reverse of Race 1's results for Spanish duo Calatayud and Corral Arias in fifth and sixth, while France's Dorian Joulin made impressive gains from 14th on the grid to finish seventh.

Cazzaniga was eighth, ahead of Rivera Resel and Saudi Arabia's Mohammad Abdalaziz Binladin, both of which were able to run with the lead group in the second race, finishing just over a second from victory.

“I am very happy, I just tried very hard from the start and to finish with the victory is amazing,” Ercolani said. “I will of course be back next year in the Yamaha R3 bLU cRU European Cup, and thanks to Yamaha for offering this event and giving me support for the 2023 season.”

**Motocross of European Nations
Women's Motocross of European Nations
France and Spain victorious**



The 2022 Motocross of European Nations has concluded in Talavera de la Reina as Team France and Team Spain were crowned this year's champions in the MXoEN and WMXoEN categories!

The morning of the race began with an opening ceremony with speeches given by José Ramón García, FIM Europe Vice President, Jesús Bermúdez, President of Motoclub Talavera, and Patricia Maskarova, Infront Moto Racing's MXoEN general manager, who also handed a special plaque to Mr Jesús Bermúdez as thanks for organising such a fantastic event.



At the end of the opening ceremony, the national anthem of Spain was played before everyone shifted their focus onto the racing.

Each group rode a total of two races, as they fought for the highest positions, in order to take the least amount of points, with the worst result not being counted. The grand total was added up and the team with the least number of points were declared the winner!

EMX125/EMX250

In the first EMX125/EMX250 race the holeshot went to Team Italy's Valerio Lata who was the leading rider for the first three laps of the race. Team Slovenia's Jan Pancar briefly led before being pushed back as Team France's Quentin-Marc Prugnieres took over first place as Team Spain's Gerard Congost moved into second.

Lata dropped back to fourth and then eventually did not finish the race due to a bike problem, while Prugnieres went on to win ahead of Pancar who fought back to second, while Congost and Anton Nordström Graaf of Team Sweden rounded out the top five.

In race two, it was Congost who took the holeshot ahead of Lata and Pancar, while Prugnieres started in fourth.

Congost led for six laps before being passed by Pancar, and then four laps later, the Spaniard was also passed by Prugnieres, as Lata dropped down the order to fifth where he eventually finished.

Pancar won the race ahead of Prugnieres, Congost and Nordström Graaf while Lata rounded out the top five in the group. was the winner ahead of Faure and Maindru, while Viktor Leppälä of Team Finland and Enzo Badenas of Team Spain were in the top five.

EMX85

In EMX85 race one, the holeshot went to Team France's Amaury Maindru with Team Italy's Filippo Mantovani following closely behind in second. Team France's Mano Faure started third, with Team Italy's Nicolo Alvisi in fourth just behind.



A lap later, Alvisi passed Faure to move into third all while Mantovani was able to take over the lead from Maindru, but only for a lap, as the Frenchman got himself back into the lead by the fifth lap and maintained first until the end of the race.

By lap seven, Alvisi managed to get around Mantovani for second, but just three laps later was passed back by his fellow countryman. In the end, Maindru was the winner ahead of Mantovani, Alvisi, Faure and Juan Izaguirre of Team Spain.

In race two, the holeshot went to Faure, as Mantovani and Maindru pushed the Frenchman from behind. The top three opened up a nice gap to the rest of the field, as they focused on the battle among each other.

By lap five, we saw a change for the lead as Mantovani was able to take control of the race, but the trio continued to battle for much of the race.

With two laps to go, Mantovani looked well in control, though Maindru was keen to push for the win from third on the final lap, though was not successful. In the end, Mantovani was the winner ahead of Faure and Maindru, while Viktor Leppälä of Team Finland and Enzo Badenas of Team Spain were in the top five.

WMXoEN

In WMXoEN race one, it was Team Spain's Gabriela Seisdedos and Daniela Guillen who got off to a strong start, with Seisdedos taking the holeshot. Team Netherland's Lynn Valk was nestled in between the pair, before Guillen found her opportunity to get by both and take over the lead by the second lap.

After starting in the mid-field, Team Denmark's Sara Andersen worked her way up the order and on lap six was in third behind Valk. But Guillen was in control around 12.521 seconds ahead of Valk who remained second.

In the end, Guillen took the race win ahead of Valk, Andersen, Team USA's Jamie Astudillo and Malou Jakobsen of Team Denmark.

In the second race, it was Andersen who took the holeshot that time around with Valk, Guillen and Seisdedos just behind. Within the first two laps, the top three pulled away from the rest of the field, as Guillen passed Valk on lap three.

By lap six, Andersen began to fade which worked to Guillen's advantage and just three laps later the Spaniard was able to pass for the lead. Guillen won the second race, taking a perfect 1-1 score for Team Spain, while Andersen crossed the line in second, putting Team Denmark on the third step of the podium, while third was Valk for Netherlands as she finished second overall on the podium and failed to defend their title this time.

Team Spain's Daniela Guillen and Gabriela Seisedos celebrated big with their team and local fans as they crossed the line as the 2022 Women's Motocross of European Nations Champions!

European Under 23 Team Speedway Championship: Poland wins on home soil



The city of Tarnów, in southeastern Poland, hosted the Final of the European Under 23 Team Speedway Championship, in front of around 2000 spectators.

The big efforts of the local organizers allow the meeting run on a perfect track.

At the end of a tight and competitive race team Poland grab the highest step of the podium together with Denmark, second, and Great Britain, third.



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Final result

1. Poland
2. Denmark
3. Great Britain

